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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Korean Question

THE deadline date laid down by the armistice negotiators for the calling of a Korean political conference is fast approaching, with the Communists displaying not the slightest inclination to consider, let alone agree with the United Nations proposal concerning the composition of the conference or where it might be held. At the moment the stalemate is complete despite the latest assurance given by the United States that she would be willing to consider invitations being extended to neutrals to take part in the discussions after the conference has actually started. The composition of the conference is ostensibly the main bone of contention, yet it has become more and more discernible that both sides are mightily concerned over the contentious question of Korea's unification which must inevitably become one of the main subjects for discussion once the conference has been called into session. Significantly it is reported from Washington that attention is being paid to a formula for an agreed settlement in which the Communists would be offered Korean neutralisation and the withdrawal of all foreign troops, in return for free elections and peaceful Korean unification. The proponents of this formula argue that the Communists might agree to a non-Communist Korean buffer state provided American troops were withdrawn from the Asian continent. And as for the United States, a unified non-Communist Korea and the withdrawal of American troops are both, it is conceded, desirable objectives.

BUT while this proposal may be considered by both sides to possess sufficient merit for approval and adoption, President Syngman Rhee has already made it very clear that he will fight to the death against any formula for a neutralised Korea. Rhee is also contemptuous of the suggestion that peaceful unification of the country is feasible. He does not believe that such an arrangement can be negotiated, and his own inclination is to have the issue settled by the Koreans themselves—in other words letting South and North Korea fight it out, minus participation by any foreign forces. But those best able to judge are today fairly certain that Rhee is no longer in a position, logically or politically, to start the fighting again, despite his possession of a 16-division army. Evidence is growing that concentrated effort is being made at this moment by the Communists to rebuild the North Korean airfields and to organise an entirely new army, consisting of a quarter of a million men of Korean descent, north of the Yalu. They would fight us. North Koreans and would have no problem of supplies to worry them. For this and other reasons, therefore, an agreement to let the Koreans fight it out seems highly unlikely. And for the same reasons the Korea truce appears to be almost certainly a de facto settlement of the Korean war, and unless the delegates to the political conference are prepared to acknowledge this, the prospects of the conference, if it evuates, achieving anything really tangible are not particularly encouraging.

MOSSADEGH FOR TRIAL

Long List Of Accusations MAKES ALLEGED CONFESSION

Teheran, Oct. 4.

The former Prime Minister Dr Mohammed Mossadegh was today formally charged with disobeying the Shah's order of dismissal and with dissolving Parliament.

If found guilty the penalty is hanging.

Dr Mossadegh has been under arrest since his regime was overthrown in August.

The charges, drawn up by the Army prosecutor after 12 days of "investigation" of Mossadegh, said the Mossadegh's Government policy, "based on weakening the constitution and weakening the people's belief in the Islam religion," led the Shah to issue a decree dismissing the Premier.

The charge sheet said Mossadegh confirmed receipt of the decree which was delivered to him at his Teheran home early on the morning of August 16.

The charges said he "refused" to obey the decree and encouraged the people to arm and rise against the dynasty.

The result "was the murder of a large number of people." (It is estimated that 300 died in the rising which swept Mossadegh out of power on August 19.)

The charges said Mossadegh is still referring to himself as "Prime Minister" and added: "This shows he is still disobedient to the Shah's order and the principles of the constitution."

The charges read:

"The accused, during investigation, clearly confessed he had two goals. One was the dissolution of the Majlis (Lower House of Parliament) and, as he says, 'when I reached this goal, I realised there was only one power that could overthrow my Government; that is the Shah's Court.'

Mossadegh was quoted as saying that when the Shah was in Rome, "I intended to give the Shah a deadline for resigning or returning to the country in a short time. If I got no reply, I would then have done whatever I considered advisable for the country."

The charges said this proved Mossadegh was "the main person" behind the anti-Shah street demonstrations on August 17. They claimed that Mossadegh instructed the security authorities not to interfere with the destruction of statues of the Shah's father, Reza Pahlavi, in Teheran's squares on August 17.

HE HAD DOUBTS

The charges quoted Mossadegh as saying: "The decree (from the Shah dismissing him) was dated August 14. It was not known where it was delayed until it was delivered to me on August 16. The way the decree was written was doubtful to me. It looked as though the decree sheet was signed first, then the decree written by the Shah's private secretary."

The charges also accused Mossadegh of failing to do his duty and ordering the Army to fire on the people on August 19—the date of Mossadegh's overthrow.

Mossadegh was expected to be taken before an Army court martial today or tomorrow when the charges will be read to him and he will be instructed to name a defense lawyer.

Reuter.

HADI NOT TO HANG

Death Sentence Commuted

Cairo, Oct. 4.

The death sentence for treason passed on Ibrahim Abdel Hadi, the former Egyptian Prime Minister, last Thursday, has been commuted to life imprisonment, it was officially announced here tonight.

The Egyptian Revolutionary Council, of which President Mohammed Naguib is chairman, commuted this first death sentence passed by the Revolutionary Tribunal.

Charges brought against Hadi included that he gratified "King Farouk's passions" by involving the Egyptian army in the Palestine war before it was ready.

He was chief of the Royal Cabinet at the start of the war. Prosecution witnesses alleged that Abdel Hadi engineered the assassination of Sheikh Hassan of Bannia, supreme head of the fiercely Islamic Moslem Brotherhood.

Ahmed Mohamed Awad, the 29-year-old former electrician who worked for British forces in the Canal Zone, had the death sentence passed upon him last week by the Revolutionary Tribunal commuted to life imprisonment with hard labour.

SHOT DEAD BY TERRORIST

Casablanca, Oct. 4.

The police announced today that the French-appointed head of the new Medina Arab quarter was shot dead last night by a bicycling terrorist.

Less than one hour later, a pro-French tobaccoist was gravely wounded by bullets in the same district. The terrorist escaped.—United Press.

Frogmen's Feat

Landskrona, Sweden, Oct. 4.

Three Danish frogmen made a ten-mile underwater crossing in rough seas from Taastrup, Denmark, to Landskrona, riding 2½ feet below the surface on a torpedo-shaped paravane drawn by a motor boat.

They were testing equipment for underwater search.—Reuter.

"Prisoners' Saviours" Return Home

Friedland, Lower Saxony, Oct. 4.

Two doctors who arrived here on Friday with 706 German ex-prisoners of war freed from the Soviet camp at Sverdlovsk, in the Ural mountains, were described today as the "prisoners' saviours" by their comrades.

The doctors, Dr Karl Mason of Wuerzburg-Wuppertal, in the Ruhr, and Dr Arthur Ignazius of Stuttgart, saved thousands of

German lives performing operations and amputations with primitive tools such as pliers and razors, the ex-prisoners said.

Handkerchiefs and rags were their only bandages.

Though Dr Mason had heart trouble and Dr Ignazius had malaria, they also had to work as quarry labourers. They often

met resistance—both active and passive—from Soviet medical authorities, the returned captives said.

Prisoners had such confidence in them that they would tell Soviet health authorities: "If Dr Mason does not operate on me I would rather die."

The 706 were part of four groups totalling 3,554 prisoners released from the Soviet Union under a recent Soviet-East German agreement.—Reuter.

Reconstruction Of Korea

Bonn, Oct. 4.

The deputy leader of the South Korean Liberal Party headed by President Rhee is visiting Germany with an eye to placing orders for equipment to assist in the reconstruction of Korea.

The equipment to be purchased in West Germany would be paid for, it was understood, from the dollar aid which President Eisenhower has asked the United States Congress to appropriate for South Korean reconstruction.—United Press.



TROUBLE BREWING IN BRITISH GUIANA

DRASTIC AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION DEMANDED

Georgetown, British Guiana, Oct. 4.

Chicago-born Mrs Janet Jagan, 32-year-old blonde Secretary of the leftist Peoples Progressive Party which swept the polls in the last election here, has announced demands for drastic amendments to the Colony's constitution.

She said that, backed by thousands of signatures to a "patriotic appeal", her Party proposed urging on Mr Oliver Lyttelton, the Colonial Secretary, the abolition of the State Council and the Governor's veto, and withdrawal of the three official members from the House of Assembly.

All the newspapers pointed out how rare it is for a Privy Council to be held on a Sunday.

A British Colonial Office spokesman said: "During the past 24 hours we have had no message from British Guiana which would indicate a situation unsettled to a degree which would warrant such a serious step as revoking the Constitution."

When Mr Lyttelton, the Colonial Secretary, and Sir David Maxwell Fyfe arrived at London airport from Scotland in a Viking of the Queen's Flight on Sunday night, the Colonial Secretary said: "Our journey to Balmoral (the Royal residence in the Scottish highlands) was a normal visit from members of the Privy Council to the Queen."—Reuter.

Egypt Lodges Complaint

New York, Oct. 4.

Egypt has complained to the Security Council that Israeli forces have built fortifications in a demilitarised area in "flagrant violation" of the Egyptian-Israeli armistice agreement.

The protest, signed by the permanent Egyptian representative to the United Nations, Mr Ahmad Galal El Din, Abd-el Razek, did not call for Council action or debate, but said that Egypt reserved the right to take up the problem later.

The complaint made yesterday said that on September 29, Israeli armed forces advanced beyond the demarcation zone of El Arish, dug trenches and set up barbed wire and fortifications.

The political correspondent of Lord Beaverbrook's Daily Express said bluntly that "Britain had taken the first dramatic step to forestall a Communist plot to seize power in the colony of British Guiana."

The Conservative Daily Mail also said that their presence "gave rise to speculation about the possibility of an impending crisis in British Guiana."

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"It gives the Governor, 50-year-old Sir Alfred Savage, full power to defeat the Communists," challenge. They planned to drive out the Governor and other British officials," he added.

The permanent Israeli delegate, Mr Abba Eban, has said the charges are "completely untrue."—Reuter.

Atlantic Flown In 5½ Hours

London, Oct. 4.

A Royal Canadian Air Force Comet, backed by a following wind, today crossed the Atlantic in five hours and 20 minutes.

The Comet averaged 480 miles an hour for the 2,600 miles from Goose Bay, Labrador, to London airport.

Aboard were 29 Canadian airmen for training on Comets in Britain.—Reuter.

Indo-China Operation

UN Has Its Eye On Two Crucial Issues

New York, Oct. 5. A watchful United Nations will be on the alert this week for possible developments on two crucial issues.

The first concerns the Korean political conference, the deadline for which—October 28—is fast approaching without any agreement with the Communists on which countries should attend.

The second is the proposal for a conference of the heads of the four great powers, interest in which has grown since India suggested last week that the General Assembly itself should urge such a meeting.

The Assembly's Political Committee is in recess until Wednesday when it will take up the Morocco question.

The Committee has placed Korea at the bottom of its agenda, but it has also approved an Australian motion which would permit the question to be brought up at any time by a simple instead of a two-thirds majority.

Many diplomats have thought there might be a communication from the Chinese Communists this last weekend in reply to two successive United States memoranda passed through the Swedish Government.

THE MESSAGES

The first United States message asked for an early agreement on the time and place for the Korean political conference. The second said that the United States would be prepared to send an emissary to meet a representative of the Chinese Communists and North Koreans to discuss arrangements for the peace conference, and added that the question of seating neutrals—the Communists had demanded that India, Burma, Indonesia, and Pakistan should attend—could be raised at the conference itself.

Although the majority of delegates are expecting a reaction to these overtures, there are others who believe the Communists might withhold their support unless pressure can be built up for their demands for the inclusion of neutrals in the conference.

Some observers foresee a new phase of private diplomatic discussions on Korea opening shortly instead of public debate. The visit to London of Mr Selwyn Lloyd, British Minister of State, and leader of the British delegation to the United Nations, for consultation with the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, is viewed by some as a possible forerunner to new diplomatic moves.

Mr Lloyd had been advocating a return to old-fashioned diplomacy. Such a plan drew the response from Soviet delegate, Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, last week that private diplomacy should be (Continued, on Back Page, Col. 3)

21 YEARS SUCCESS STORY

- 1932 RIDE BEAT SHIP IN LONDON-IRVINE RACE
- 1933 RIDE TRIDENTS IN CAPE TOWN
- 1934 RIDE PERFECT OYSTER TOUR—LONDON TO CAPE
- 1935 PREMIER AWARD CAPE TOWN—PORT ELIZABETH RELIABILITY TRAIL
- 1936 CAPE TOWN TO JAPAN LIGHT CAR ROAD RECORD
- 1937 EIGHT-PLACED BRITISH CAR IN MONTE CARLO RALLY
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Test Of Air Force "Global Mobility"

Manoeuvres By U.S. B-36 Bombers

Washington, Oct. 4. The United States Strategic Air Command will deploy two squadrons of its B-36 Inter-Continental Convair bombers to remote corners of the globe this month in a test of "global mobility," it was announced today.

One squadron, from Walker Air Base, Roswell, New Mexico, will fly to the Arctic air base of Thule, on the northwest coast of Greenland, for a week's training in the Polar region.

The other squadron, from Carswell Air Force Base, Texas, will head east to a forward base in North Africa, presumably one of the three new airports now operated by the United States in French Morocco.

This squadron will stay in North Africa for about 11 days. No definite date for departure of the squadron was disclosed.

A squadron of heavy bombers usually consists of ten planes.

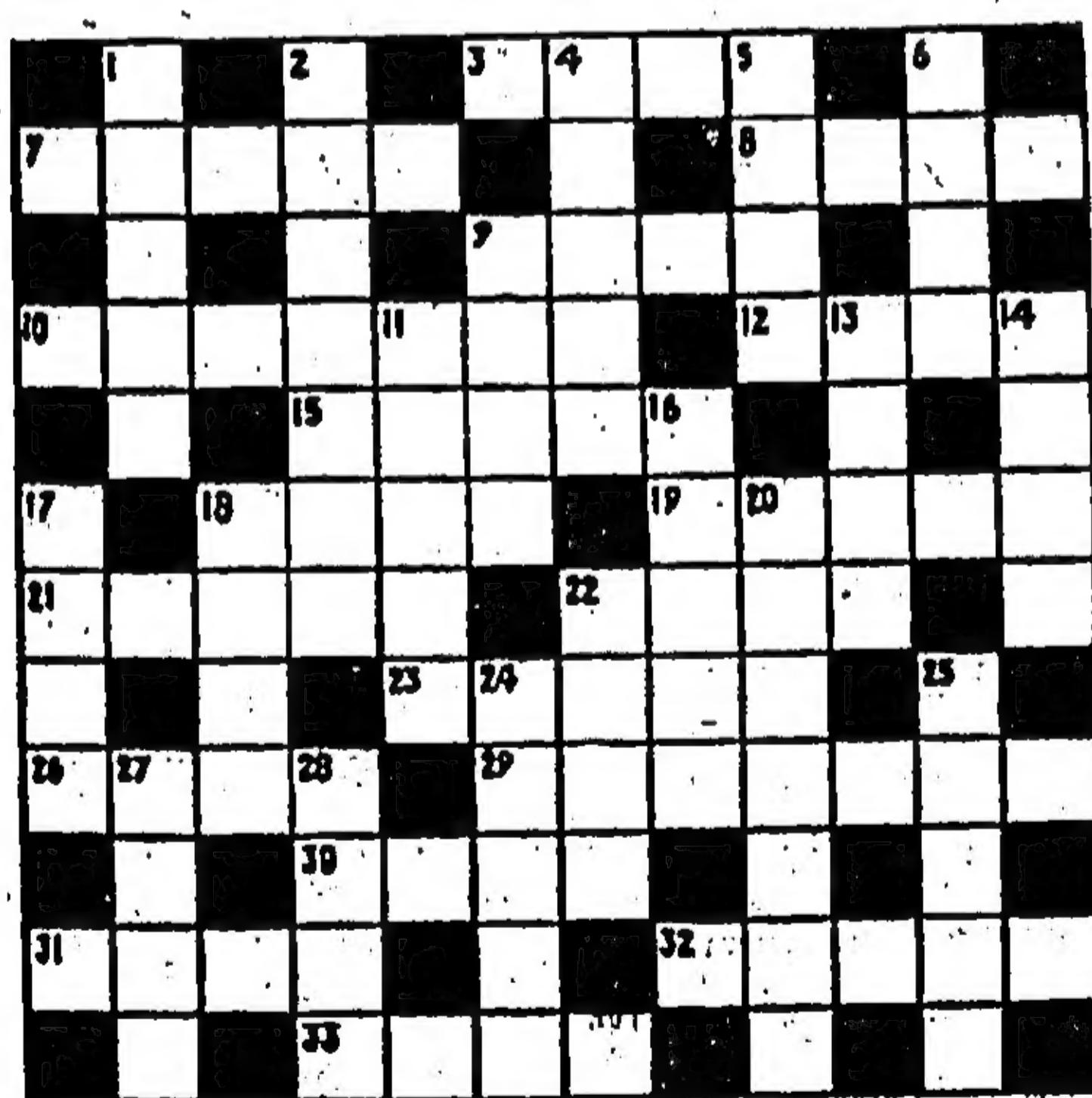
A few individual B-36 bombers have landed at Thule in recent months, but this will be the first time a formation of the Convair bombers will use the base in a large-scale test of its capabilities.

Only 900 miles from the North Pole, Thule could be used as a base for air strikes at Eurasia in a future war.

In the past most overseas exercises of the Strategic Air Command have involved units of B-29 and B-47 Superforts. Two wings of 600-mph B-47 jet bombers recently have trained in England and in August B-36 units made pioneering non-stop flights from American bases to the Far East.

The August mission was taken in some quarters as a show of strength following the disclosure of Russian nuclear weapons progress. If the October exercises are intended as a further effort to "show the flag" the Air Force did not say so officially.—Reuter and United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

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- 7 Plank (5).
- 8 Gem (4).
- 9 Defensive ditch (4).
- 10 Swells (7).
- 11 Border (4).
- 12 Trunk (5).
- 13 Clean by rubbing (4).
- 14 Elevate (5).
- 21 Situation (6).
- 22 Transgressions (4).
- 23 Mature (5).
- 24 Tarsien (4).
- 25 Chooses (7).
- 26 Related (4).
- 27 Dandy (4).
- 28 Kormor (6).
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- SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Hermit, 7 Page, 9 Fred, 10 Ambus, 11 List, 18 Determined, 19 News, 19 Draw, 19 Representation, 22 Earth, 24 Cadet, 25 Agree, 26 Riso, 27 Sudden, 28 End, 29 Exact, 3 Molar, 4 Treacle, 6 Opulence, 8 Axes, 8 Aside, 12 Task, 13 Dodge, 14 Engender, 17 Arms, 18 Grabs, 20 Stalid, 21 Herbs, 23 Acid.

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- 6 Lake (4).
- 7 Drinker (5).
- 8 Platform (4).
- 9 Pitcher (4).
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- 11 Espy (4).
- 12 Brandish (4).
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It concerns the downfall of one Amin Didi, President of the Maldives Republic, which was created on January 1 this year, and the people of the Maldives group of islands, which he wanted to elevate into a more important position than they now hold.

After the war the old sultan's rule ended, and Amin Didi, who was in direct descent from the sultan's line, became Prime Minister.

A friend

WHEN the Maldives became a republic in January, he became first President, and as such was accorded a salute of 21 guns from the cruiser H.M.S. Ceylon, which brought the British High Commissioner and other notables from Colombo for the junketing here.

Forty-six-year-old Amin Didi, plump, shortish, with spectacles, has always been a good friend

AMIN DIDI
Exiled ex-President.

Commerce, and Public Safety, as well as Commander-in-Chief of the Maldives military force, full 50 strong when on parade. He also became principal of the local boys' school, president of four local sports clubs (he is probably the only Prime Minister who ever played centre-forward for his country's Soccer team), and also president of the Poetical Society.

His policy

IN the guide book, which he characteristically wrote himself, he defined his policy: "We are out for changes, but the changes and reforms must be slow."

But to do anything by degrees was beyond him.

He borrowed 1,000,000 rupees (£75,000) from the Ceylon Government, and started on an ambitious programme of building schools, triumphal archways on the quaysides, and 40ft-wide roads. To build these roads, he cut down hundreds of breadfruit trees and coconut palms, annoying the inhabitants, who need them for food. But when they complained, he said: "Work now and if you are hungry eat the leaves."

In his eagerness to balance the Maldives economy he cut down tobacco imports, and then forbade smoking.

He freed women from the veil, which the Moslem religion bade them wear in purdah, sent many women students to Colombo on Government grants,

Each Colour Shows Where You Live

THE setting of the Maldives Islands is something between R. M. Ballantyne's "Coral Island" and H. de Vere Stacpoole's "Blue Lagoon"—where every prospect pleases and only man is sometimes vile, but not often.

The Maldivians seem too easily going to indulge in crime: few are few.

They are simple people, mildly indolent in their superb climate; without malice.

When they are not fishing or watching others fish, they play mudi, a sort of baseball.

They live mostly on breadfruit and coconut. They are not rich, but not unhappy.

THE CAPITAL

There are 90,000 folk of these islands, and about 9,000 are concentrated on the capital island, Male (pronounce it: Main), its area about one square mile and with streets of powdered coal.

Male Island is divided into four sectors called wards, each with its own distinguished colour, blue, pink, green and grey. The doors and window shutters of the houses in each sector are painted in these new dignities as a state. In the past there had been some vandalism, but we had forgotten that anything ever grew.

Britain had voluntary treaty relations with the Maldives since 1887, with the strict condition that the British should not interfere with their internal affairs. The islands have some strategic value, they are equidistant from Ceylon and Mombasa, and one or two were used as a base by the Navy and R.A.F. in the last war.

THE PROBLEM

The crux of the Maldives problem is this: They are coral islands literally without earth so wheat, rice, and maize cannot be grown. These foods the islanders must import—and pay for the imports from the dried fish they sell to Colombo.

As the last few fishing seasons have been poor, exports waned. Against this worsening background of poverty, the great plans of Amin Didi were folly.

Busman's Holiday for Gary...

That every available police car in Northumberland swooped on sheep rustlers but failed to catch them is true enough. But the story that cowboy Gary Cooper was hauled from his London hotel by Northumberland shepherds as the obvious person to handle this sort of thing is just another example of American aid.

by GILES



London Express Service

TWO MEN OF GENIUS IN MUSICAL COMEDY

By Beverley Baxter, M.P.

London. I AM writing this on the eve of the first production of "The King And I" by Oscar Hammerstein and Richard Rodgers.

Will that fabulous pair score yet another triumph, or will this gentle piece of semi-oriental whimsy mark the turning point of their career?

Needless to say, the production will be at our national theatre, Drury Lane. With the exception of a few weeks immediately after the war, when Noel Coward had a bad flop back to their boats to try fresh sections of the sea, flour for food has been sent in from Ceylon by the Maldives' only motor vessel, a 50ft wooden boat, and life is much as it used to be.

Off the shore, on his palm island, watching the lights of home, is the man who dreamed of a wider fame and future for his country, man who made his dream his master.

Just a story about some faraway islands, you might think. Not at all. It is one of the sharpest parables of the year on the relative values of power and patience—and their place in practical politics.

"We were wondering," said Hammerstein, "if you would have time to see 'Allegro' while you're here. Some of the critics don't like it."

"Not all of them," said composer Rodgers, making his first intrusion in the dialogue.

"I like 'Allegro,'" said Hammerstein, "and if you could go to it we'll have tickets at the box office for you."

I shall never forget the first night of "Oklahoma" there. Naturally its spectacular run in New York had built up an immense renown, and we went to our seats in the grand old theatre with more than a tinge of excitement. In truth, the atmosphere was electric.

The overture was applauded as if it were a masterpiece, and even the dramatic critics forgot to look bored. As for the gallery, they were in a mood to cheer if a cat walked out of the wings.

Then up went the curtain—on what? At the left side of the vast stage there was the corner of a tiny cottage and a motherly-looking woman knitting. There was a huge back-cloth of a vast plain—and nothing more. No chorus, no whirlpool of colour, no dancers! Rodgers and Hammerstein's artistry was blashed against the strongest tradition of Drury Lane.

But there the similarity between them ends. In physique, appearance and in temperament, no two men could be less alike. Hammerstein is a sleek baritone cowboy—apparently American breeds no tenors who started to sing. Here in the orchestra was the clomp of horse's hooves. From the cellos came those haunting descending notes with their suggestion of unhurried twilit.

It is difficult after this long time to understand why we were so deeply moved. Perhaps it was because we had been besieged by war for five years and had seen the ruin of our cities and the weariness of mere existence. Then suddenly from America there had come this music-story of a territory throbbing with life and moving to its new dignity as a state. In the past would have been vandals, the lawyers before the proceedings begin.

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At the end of the show there were scenes that are still vivid in my memory. The ovation and the cheers went on and on, and the young Americans on the stage went unashamed. One musical number after another was repeated as if we were going to stay the night. The great old theatre with its memories had gone mad, but I think even the ghosts of the past would have approved. "Oklahoma" had begun its three years' run.

It was not long after the opening that I went to New York and spoke at the Dutch Treat Club, a general off-the-record luncheon group composed principally of journalists and theatrical folk. When the luncheon was over I saw that two men were waiting to speak to me. One was a large, shy, rather untidy man, looking

deeply Moved

After a bit of a dialogue

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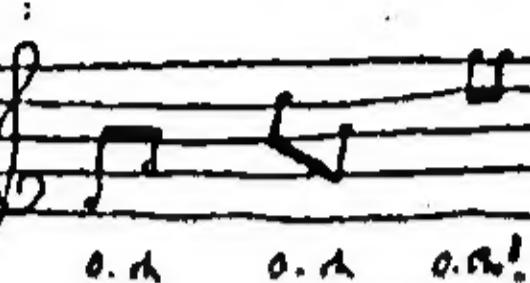
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THE DUFFLE TWINS by DODD

• BY • THE • WAY •
by Beachcomber

This is the refrain of a Somerset folk-song, taken down by Mr Henry Snow. It was sung by him in his childhood in Taunton. It is called "Cutting the Corn," and was sung by Mrs Snow's grandfather after a harvest supper in 1879.

Trifle v. Chaseable

DURING the hearing of a case which concerns the trapping of man's nose in a mousetrap, the plaintiff was asked by the judge if he had ever been in a trap. He managed to achieve this unusual test. The reply was that he—Arnold Chaseable—had gone down on all fours many times, but that the trap was properly set and that before he knew where he was, the trap closed on his nose. The defendant, Mr. Snadriver, said that Mr. Chaseable was attempting to snatch the cheese from the trap, for his own use.

Mr. Tinklebury (Snadriver): Do you imply, Mrs. Trifle, that the

plaintiff wanted the cheese for violin purposes?

Mrs. Honeyweather (Gooseboob): Mud, this is a leading question.

Cookeratoff: It is, indeed. The defendant need not answer.

Mrs. Trifle: I prefer to answer, in that. He wanted the cheese.

Mr. Honeyweather (Gooseboob): Mud, this is a leading question.

Cookeratoff: It is, indeed. The defendant need not answer.

Mrs. Trifle: One does not have to put one's nose into a trap to extract cheese.

Snadriver: Mr. Chaseable will you now say what occurred?

Mrs. Trifle: I presume to reconstruct the crime.

(Mr. Chaseable goes down on all fours many times, then sets the trap which closes with a bang. A shriek of pain follows.)

An usher releases the captive.)

Mr. Chaseable: I could be a man, with his nose caught like that, get his hand into the trap to release the cheese?

Snadriver: He could cut it while caught by the nose.

Cookeratoff: Very well. Put a bit of cheese in it, and let us have another demonstration.

(Mr. Chaseable groans.)

Q JACOBY
ON BRIDGE

South Makes Home After Second Ruff

NORTH		EAST	
▲ A 0 4		▲ 0 2	
▼ K		▼ 10 0 2	
♦ A 10 6 5 2		♦ Q 9 6 3	
♣ 10 7 4		♣ 7 4	

WEST		SOUTH (D)	
▲ J 7 3		▲ 0 2	
▼ Q 9 7 5		▼ 10 0 2	
♦ 7 4		♦ Q 9 6 3	
♣ J 0 2		♣ 7 4	

North-South vul.			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead—♦ 2

By OSWALD JACOBY

If you want to make six spades with today's hand, should you try to establish hearts or diamonds as your chief side suit? When the hand was actually played, South decided to go after the diamonds because the suit was, both longer and stronger than the hearts.

East took the first trick with the ace of clubs and returned the suit, South winning with the king. Declarer led a heart to the king, drew three rounds of trumps, and cashed the ace of hearts to... if the queen would fall? When it didn't, he took the club and ace of diamonds, and continued by ruffing a diamond. Now neither suit could be brought in, and the suit was doomed.

The point that South overlooked was that he could afford to ruff hearts twice with low trumps in the dummy, whereas he could afford to ruff diamonds only once in his own hand. This more than made up for the difference in length and strength between the two suits.

After South wins the second trick with the king of clubs the correct continuation is to lead to the king of hearts once, draw one trump with the king, and next take the ace of spades and South gets back to his hand with the king of diamonds to ruff another low heart.

When this second ruff succeeds, South is home. He regains the lead in the safest possible way by ruffing a club with the ten of spades. It is then easy to draw the last trump with the queen of spades, cash the ace and jack of hearts, and then take the last trick in dummy with the ace of diamonds.

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Ed Carvalho's Champion Braves, behind the pitching of Chappie Remedios and Jock Brown, overpowered Frank Chan's highly-publicised Chinese Amateur Athletics by rallying in the third inning to register a 7-4 victory in the opener of the 1958-59 softball season at King's Park yesterday.

Winning pitchers Remedios and Brown doled out eight while CAA hurler Tony Kwok yielded five hits in the feature tussle of the afternoon witnessed by a capacity crowd of some 3,000 enthusiastic fans.

Given full support by her teammates, ace pitcher Terry Noronha of the six-time Champion Wahoos paced her team to a rousing 17-12 triumph over Benita Remedios' newly-organized Colleens in the Ladies' League, a game highlighted by a good number of solid hits on both sides.

The Wahoos' victory, which could be attributed to all-round strength and teamwork, dispelled any doubt of their superiority in almost every inning.

The Opening Day ceremony was staged on a bright sunny day and the publicity and garlands of praise revolving about the impressive traditional mien-peal and the now portable iron-angled stands was unstinted in its nature and unlimited in its length.

Team managers, coaches and ballplayers, representing 19 teams in all divisions, paraded in a colourful 15-minute show headed by the Hongkong Musicians' Band. Most impressive item was the Colleens in their bright red uniforms and dark blue jeans.

The Champion Wahoos, winners of the Ladies' League six years in succession, were given the honour of leading the contingents and were followed by the Colleens, Pandas, Chinese Amateur Athletics in that order. Then came the PI Dodgers, the CAA, Comets, Pandas, Cubs, Rebels, Delawares, Hongkong University, Wildfires, Braves, South China, and the Warriors.

In his inaugural speech, the Commissioner of Softball, "Doc" Molthen, called on all players and fans to contribute their share to making the season's softball a rousing success.

He also expressed his thanks to Messrs. Shiro (China) Ltd., and Messrs. K. P. Chan, L. P. Kwok, W. S. Wong, K. P. Chiu, Frank Chan, Mak Kwong, and C. P. Tang of the Chinese Athletic Association whose gifts of two sections of the stands had made a dream of the fans come true.

On conclusion of his brief address, prize-winners of the Inter-Hong Kong Summer League, Midgets' League, and Midgets' Knockout competitions, were presented with their trophies and prizes.

Peter McRae received the San Miguel Shield on behalf of the Kowloon Go-downs, winners of the Inter-Hong Kong League, Jackie Wei, representing the Pandas, winners of the Summer League, and Frank Poon, coach of the CAA, was presented with the Midgets' Knockout prize.

Fred Diesta, manager and coach of the PI Dodgers, received the Midgets' League trophy and Frank Poon, coach of the CAA, was presented with the Midgets' Knockout prize.

Mr Michael W. Turner, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, who has shown a keen interest in softball activities, was introduced to players of the contesting teams. He pitched the first ball to start off the season.

EXCITING MOMENTS

There were some great moments in the battle between the defending Champions, Braves, and the Chinese Amateur Athletics.

CAA losing pitcher Tony Kwok gave one of his finest performances on the mound. Employing his fast ball to its best advantage, he held the Braves to a scoreless first and second innings.

The spectacular catch by Dick Chaves of the Braves in the third frame off a mighty blast from P. C. Wong, foiled what appeared like a certain home.

The brilliance of Carlos Yvanovich and Junior Remedios of the Braves and CAA's first baseman C. M. Tsang contributed to an exciting three inning play.

Much of the success of the Braves in the second period of the fourth inning was probably due to the injury sustained by CAA's shortstop K. T. "Rabbit" Leung in a collision with Bull Dhabher.

Coach Frank Poon found it necessary to post Felix Chan at third with Seldon Ma at shortstop. It was after his reshuffle that the peacock saw the Braves scoring four runs, first by "Doc" Gutierrez, followed by Franklin Correa, Chappie Remedios and Carlos Yvanovich in that order.

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It became obvious that Chappie was unsettled in the first inning when he yielded three hits to permit the opposition to score three runs.

In this particular frame, the Chinese landed the bases twice, and when they had tallied three runs and no away, things began to look dark for the Champion Braves. But Chappie weathered the storm to smother the CAA threat.

THE INSPIRATION

Losing pitcher Tony Kwok was the inspiration behind the Chinese squad and his steady pitching throughout was undoubtedly the biggest asset to his team. But the outstanding player of the afternoon was unquestionably C. M. Tsang, an ex-South China star who figured in the official opening game in the uniform of the CAA. He was their biggest prize as first baseman.

Leading by three runs at the start of the third inning, the CAA outfit had been conceded more than a passing chance to beat the Braves in this important clash, but an error that contributed to the CAA downfall took place in the second half of the third when Seldon Ma threw a wild one from third to first that was a most heart-breaking loss.

From then onward, the Braves came to life and went on a scoring spree in the second half of the fourth to tally four runs to jump to a comfortable 7-3 lead.

With victory within their grasp, Carvalho assigned Jock Brown to the mound and the relief pitcher turned in a fine performance in his debut for the Braves.

Brown gave the crowd an eyeful of his pitching capabilities and only permitted the CAA team to score a single run in the fifth. Not only did he hold the opposition scoreless in the sixth and seventh, but he fielded equally well too.

The tussle between the Braves and the CAA which was expected to produce first class softball proved disappointing. Excitement was tense in the first three stanzas, but faded out into a tame affair when the Braves ran roughshod over their challengers in the fourth to dash all CAA hopes of a victory.

The box score was as follows:

CAA:
R 0 0 0 1 0 0 = 4 runs
S 0 0 2 2 1 0 = 8 hits

Braves:
R 0 3 4 0 0 = 7 runs
S 0 3 1 1 0 = 5 hits

THE TEAMS

Braves:—Pitcher: Chappie Remedios; Jock Brown; Catcher: Franklin Correa; 1st base: Carlos Yvanovich; 2nd base: Hank Killean; 3rd base: Junior Remedios; Shortstop: Doc Gutierrez; Left-field: Dick Chaves; Centre-field: Spikey Gutierrez; Right-field: Bulli Dhabher.

CAA:—Pitcher: Tony Kwok; Catcher: Harry Lee, K. K. Sit; 1st base: C. M. Tsang; 2nd base: P. C. Wong; 3rd base: Seldon Ma; Shortstop: K. T. Leung; Left-field: Y. Z. Yang; Centre-field: P. H. Lee; Right-field: L. P. Lam.

WAHOOS SUPERIOR

Bimbi Ablong's Wahoos em-

ployed the third inning to register a 17-12 victory over the CAA.

Both teams will meet again on October 9 to 24.

Both Shira and Allen are scheduled to begin all-out training around October 14.

In between training periods at the Waseda University gym, Allen has been seeing the sights of Tokyo.

Captions appearing with the photographs read: "Just like a child."

A Japanese belief is that when a boy is held in the arms of a Sumo Champion, he will be as strong and healthy as the champion when he grows up.—China Mail Special.

Photographs of the two Champions—one in the arms of the other—appeared on the front pages of newspapers yesterday and today.

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AUSTRALIANS LEAVE FOR HOME



The Australian Cricket team left St Pancras Station on September 24 on the first part of their journey home. A large crowd witnessed their departure, and the team had a busy time signing autographs.

Photograph shows—Left to right front row—Hole, Lindsay Hassett (Captain), Harvey and Morris. In the background on left is Archer.

Jet-Propelled Army Blast The RAF

By I. M. MacTAVISH

The first essential of every football team is fitness. It is fitness that gives players the confidence to go all out from first kick to last. It inspires the knowledge that they have the latent power to last out no matter what pressure the opposition may turn on.

On Saturday at Sookumpoo we saw what promised to be a very good—but not too fit—RAF team blasted to bits (8-1) by a supremely fit Army eleven. Here for once the jet propulsion was on the other side and, after about 15 minutes of a game that had opened with some even play, the precision movements of the Army began to extract toll.

It is true that an accidental injury robbed the airman of Elston, a virile forward but even this early there were "blows to mend" in the RAF ranks.

UNFORTUNATE

It was unfortunate that this match was, on account of current police regulations, played before a mere handful of spectators. As a game it was a fine advertisement for the coming season: If it had everything—thrills, hairbreadth escapes at both ends, delightful teamwork, masterly halfback play...and above all... goals...goals...and...more GOALS...and in football that is surely the greatest thrill of all.

The Captain of the RAF team paid a fine tribute to the fitness of the Army team. "We said...we just couldn't cope with them...if you beat them once they were back after you in a flash...they were as fit as fiddles..."

What a pity that the teeming thousands of keen soccer fans in the Colony were denied the chance of seeing this game. It was a tough, hard encounter, well refereed, and played throughout in the very best traditions of sportsmanship...Don't be misled by the final score...the game was not as one-sided as this would suggest. To both teams a big thank you for a fine afternoon's entertainment.

GOAL SCORERS—RAF: Morgan, Army: Chase, Guest (2), Nash (2), Wingfield and Barker.

THE TEAMS

RAF: Sayers; Gregg, Barnicle; Martin, Dowding, Oakey; Trechene, Dalziel, Elton, Jackson, Morgan.

Army: Brinsford, Casey, Wells; Barker, McLean, Stevens, Nash, Roewe, Chase, Wingfield, Guest.

SECOND DIVISION A

RAF 2, Army 4

The First Division clash of the RAF and Army showed that the airmen have problems in their team that so suddenly clicked into gear. With only one change from the line-up that disappointed on Wednesday—Wingfield for Jameson at inside-left—they moved with the smoothness of a well oiled machine.

It is difficult to single out individuals but there is no doubt that the success of the team sprang from a magnificent half back line which dictated the run of the game from start to finish.

McLean dominated the centre of the field and everything he did had the hallmark of class.

Never a rash clearance did he make...a neat slip here and a cool flick there...and in a twinkling defence had been turned into attack.

Barker and Stevens played the RAF inside forwards right out of the game and the ball was moved forward on the ground from man to man.

A good example of this was the fifth goal. An RAF attack on the Army goal was stopped by McLean who slipped the ball forward to Barker. From Barker it went to Stevens, to Reeves, on to Wingfield, out to Guest and the winger carried it right into the goal area before slushing a fierce drive past the diving Sayers.

STRANGE MIXTURE

Sayers in the RAF goal had a strange mixture of an afternoon. He made some fine saves but he allowed himself to become worried by the persistent attention of Chase who never gave him a moment's peace once he had the ball.

He lost a bad fourth goal when he was caught in two minds about a tricky lob from Nash but, although he had no chance with any of the other goals, he never looked unhappy...probably because of the poor covering on his right flank.

At left back Barnicle had a grand game. Sorely tormented by a tantalizingly clever right-wing, he came out of the game with flying colours and a steady handshake for Nash at the end of the game showed that he had enjoyed every minute of it.

The RAF made many positional changes as the game progressed—but all of them went to show that in Martin and Chase they have a couple of fine backs.

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EMPIRE GAMES

Vancouver, Oct. 3

British Empire Games officials announced today that 18 Commonwealth countries would send delegations to the 1958 games in Vancouver.

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HOME SOCCER REVIEW

Bill Dodgin Has Happy Start As Manager Of Brentford

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They beat Everton, previously unbeaten this season, by a single goal, a 30 yards effort by Dore in the second half. It was Brentford's first goal in four games.

In Everton's favour, it can be said that they were without three of their regular players, released for Eire's international tomorrow.

Fulham, Manager Dodgin's old club, also won today, their second successive win after going through their first 10 games this season without a victory. This was at the expense of Luton, who had also released players for tomorrow's World Cup game between Eire and France in Dublin.

Everton's setback was only one of several upsets involving teams in leading positions in the League tables. Only in Division I did the highly placed clubs produce the expected results.

Even then West Bromwich Albion, the top side, had difficulty in beating the bottom team, Middlesbrough, by the odd goal of three. Nicholls, leading scorer in Division I made his total 13 in 12 matches by scoring one of the West Bromwich goals.

With seven wins in their last eight games, Aston Villa was expected to provide stiff opposition to Huddersfield, second in the table, but they could not cope with the speed and thrust of the Huddersfield attack.

A first half hat-trick virtually sealed the fate of Aston Villa, Glazebrook being responsible and Metcalfe completed the route of Villa before the end.

Free-scoring Wolverhampton Wanderers maintained third place, sharing six goals with Sheffield United, but Charlton jumped above Aston Villa when they inflicted on Newcastle, the Northern team's fourth home defeat in six matches.

As usual, Arsenal, with more than 60,000 spectators, had the biggest home crowd of the day and they repeated a midweek floodlit victory over Preston to achieve their first home success of the season.

LAST TO WIN AT HOME
There are the last club in Division I to win a home match but it was a disputed penalty by Barnes which sealed the fate of Preston.

Rangers, at outside left, netted Arsenal's first two goals and the penalty one during the second half, was sandwiched by two from Hattersley, deputising at centre-forward for Preston's injured Wayman.

England's selectors will tomorrow choose the team to meet Wales, and some of them went to Bolton to-day to see the game against Tottenham. They saw Loftus score his first goal of the season for Bolton but the England International did not have a particularly good game. Best players in the match were Ditchburn in the Tottenham goal, and Barras, the Bolton centre-half.

Tempers became frayed and play over-vigorous in the Cheltenham-Sunderland game, and two Sunderland men had their names taken by the referee. Chelsea had fought back after being two goals behind in the second half.

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In both Third Division sections, the leaders drew further away from the opposition. In the south section, Gainsborough, chosen to play for Wales against England, later this month, made his season's total 10, the best by any player in the four divisions.

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ONE OF THE YOUNGEST



Bernard Hunt, aged 23, was one of the youngest players on Britain's Ryder Cup team which lost the match at Wentworth by a score of 6½-5½. He halved his singles' match with D. Douglas.

Reuterphoto.

Yankees All But Bankrupt Brooklyn's Hopes With An 11-7 Ebbets Field Triumph

By CARL LUNDQUIST

Brooklyn, Oct. 4.

The Yankees all but bankrupted Brooklyn's World Series hopes today with a slam bang 11-7 triumph in which golden boy Mickey Mantle again was the shining star with a grand slam homer that blew the game wide open in a weird third inning.

Another rafter-hanging crowd of 36,775, exactly and coincidentally the same number who saw yesterday's game, was on hand for today's battle at little Ebbets Field.

As the Yankees took the Series lead, three games to two, and moved into the driver's seat because they will be going back to their home park tomorrow, it was the "Bubble Gum Kid" from Oklahoma who traded in his goat's horns for a halo.

It was a crazy mixed-up ball four and the Cubs with two in 1932 Series.

They also connected for 47 total bases to set another new mark. And they made their Series total for homers 10, equalling a mark they set last year in seven games with one and perhaps two more to go in this classic.

The Yankees simply assassinated the Dodgers with their cannon-ball—homers—Billy Martin and Gil McDougald also reaching the seats.

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	Loads	Sails	
"S. CALCHAS"	Sailed	Arrives Hong Kong	
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Russian Views On Germany

Vienna, Oct. 4. The Soviet Union does not wish to discuss the question of free all-German elections as the main issue at a Foreign Ministers' conference, Oesterreichische Zeitung, official Soviet High Commission newspaper, said today.

In an editorial on the German problem the paper accused the Western powers of using the issue of all-German elections as a pretext to delay indefinitely a German peace conference, "declaring entirely without reason that these elections are a prerequisite to solving the question of a peace treaty."

"In the Soviet view all-German elections are an internal affair of Germany which must be decided by the German people itself, without any interference by foreign powers," it added.

It said: "The Soviet Union cannot regard the question of all-German elections as the main point for a Foreign Ministers' conference."

CAIRO EYE ON VOTERS IN SUDAN

London, Oct. 4. In the Sunday Times today said that an Anglo-Egyptian settlement of the Suez Canal problem may swing voters in the Sudan elections towards a closer relationship with Egypt.

A diplomatic correspondent, writing in this right-wing independent newspaper, said Egypt was particularly anxious to increase its prestige at home and for the moral effect it might have on the Sudan elections.

He said the Sudanese parties supporting union with Egypt look like being a minority.

An announcement from Cairo that British troops would leave the Canal base at once and that even British technicians would do so within a few weeks might bring Sudan voters over to the cause of union with Egypt, the correspondent added.

The correspondent said the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, is likely to stress in Parliament that failure to make a new agreement with Egypt would injure relations with other Arab countries and would eventually lead to a clash between Britain and the Arab bloc in the United Nations.

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Under the existing law only persons who "frequent" such places could be charged in court.

The Acting Attorney-General, Mr C. H. Butterfield, said a difficulty arose when the High Court recently held that no offence of "frequenting" is committed where a person visits one set of premises used for the purpose of smoking or consuming opium.

He said it was necessary for the prosecution to establish that the accused person has either visited one set of such premises often or has visited a number of similar premises on one occasion each.

Mr Butterfield said it was seldom that police on entering opium dens found anyone actually smoking although pipes and other utensils were commonly found.

He pointed out that locked doors enabled smokers to put aside their tuning and records. Also piano tuning and repair work, usually done by our Londoners, and many other experienced tuners and repairers, remained charges. Please call at 292-2733.

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Other problems the council is busy co-ordinating include air-conditioning for high altitude flying, new problems arising out of high speeds, and the problem of aircraft noise.

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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

Once I was hunting. I must have come near the land of the JUNGLE WITCH--then I saw this man--

He walked as though made of wood. His eyes were lifeless. He raised them, saw me, frightened. I shot an arrow--

"IT HIT HIM IN THE ARM. HE PULLED IT OUT AND LOOKED AT IT. IT WAS CLEAR HE HAD NOT EVEN FELT IT."

Then what?

I did not wait to see! I ran for that was one of the JUNGLE WITCH'S SLAVES--THE LIVING DEAD!

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INDONESIA TURNING TO AUSTRALIA
A Big Increase In Imports Noted

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Shipping Route To N. Zealand Proves Success

Tokyo, Oct. 5.—The Nitto Steamship Company has applied to the Transportation Ministry for permission to inaugurate a regular New Zealand route.

The company has been operating a trunk service and is convinced that a regular service on the route would be paying business.

Upon obtaining permission, the company is expected to operate eight sailings a year. The first ship to be assigned to this route will be the Nagoya Maru, 8,336 deadweight tons, leaving Yokohama on November 11.—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local exchange market this morning at the following rates:—U.S. dollar (per \$1) ... 5.94
Singapore dollars (per 100) ... 15.87
Australian dollars (per 100) ... 12.50
Dollar (per 100) ... 2.78
Singapore (Strata) ... 2.78
Indo-China piastres (per 100) ... 847

The General Electric Company Limited Of England

Further Progress

The fifty-third annual general meeting of The General Electric Company, Limited of England was held on September 24 in London.

Sir Harry Railton, the chairman, in the course of his speech said:

After allowing £1,151,000 for depreciation, £58,000 more than last year, and other provisions, we show a profit of £4,280,000 before taxation. Taxation absorbs 60 per cent, and we are allowed to keep 31 per cent. of the profit we have earned. During the last six years taxation has withdrawn £18,500,000 from your company's Capital, whilst the net dividends paid to the stockholders amounted to £4,100,000.

High production costs were blamed for the decline.

The directors have recommended a final dividend of 7½ per cent, making 11½ per cent. for the year. Our current assets exceed current and deferred liabilities by £25,000,000 and thus show again the inherent strength of our company. Reserves now amount to £22,571,000.

Your company's activities last year show overall a further increase both in total production and in sales. We continued the uninterrupted progress made each year since the war. These increases were mainly due to the higher output of capital goods.

Our own future and that of the country depends largely on the effectiveness of the steps which our Government will take—relative to other countries—to stop or reverse all inflationary tendencies both on a national and individual plane.

The report was adopted.

The General Electric Co. Ltd., of England, known throughout the world as the G.E.C., is represented in China by The British General Electric Co. Ltd., of Hongkong. The consolidated accounts of The General Electric Co. Ltd., show that the capital employed at 31st March 1953 amounted to approximately £52,850,000 and that the profit for the year to that date after taxation amounted to approximately £1,268,000. The dividend on the Ordinary capital is 11½ per cent for the year less income tax. The Company has over 65,000 employees.

FINDING IT HARD

Japanese steel makers fear that intensified international competition following the Korean truce will worsen the already gloomy export situation for iron-steel products.

Japan also is finding it difficult to fulfil trade agreements with Pakistan and Argentina calling for the export of Japanese iron and steel.

Though the Japan-Pakistan trade agreement signed in April provides for Japan's export of iron and steel, the prices proposed by Pakistan are lower than Japanese production costs.

The part of the Japan-Argentina agreement calling for the exchange of Japanese pig iron for Argentine wheat has not been fulfilled, Argentina preferring to import low-priced pig iron from Austria.—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$1,490,902.50. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

BANKS BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS	11K Bank .. 1510
	East Asia .. 100
INVESTMENTS	136 825
Underwriters	914
HK Fire	160
SHIPPING	40,20
Charter	40,20
DOCKS ETC	K. Wharf .. 87½
Dock	21,00 12
Providence	12,00 13 850 6 12,00
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Shai Dock	2,15 2,000 205
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HK Land	63 63 300 6 0014
Shai Land	1,45 115
Hampshire	16,00 17,10 1,000 6 18,00
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UTILITIES	Tram .. 23,60
	1,100 6 200 6 25,60
	200 6 25,60

Star Ferry	171 134
C. Light (O)	13,70 18,20 729 6 12,50
	1,600 6 13,00
	2,500 6 18,00
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C. Light (N)	914 9,85 500 6 9,85
	1,000 6 9,85
	100 6 9,85

Electric	20
Metro. Elec.	9,30
Telephone	22,00
Concert	18,70 18,00

STORES ETC	Dairy .. 20,40 215
	500 6 21,20
	200 6 21,20

Watson	34,245 200 6 24
L. Crawford	23,40

COTTONS	Textile Corp. 5,00
MISCELLANEOUS	Yangtze (O) 7
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JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK

Subject For Inquiry

If, as I have seen it reported, UNESCO is to study, in the interests of mankind (at mankind's expense), the shattered windscreens epidemic on the London-Portsmouth road, they might care to extend their terms of reference to include research into the reason why shop-window smashing is so popular in London, N.I.

A report on this phenomenon would interest mankind, I fancy, on the other. At worst, it could hardly interest it less. It is not the residents in the area within the orbit of the Clerkenwell court, but visitors to the neighbourhood who, either in fury or in fun, from an excess of good humour or from despair, bash in people's windows. It is the visitors, especially visitors from Ireland. Men like Michael.

BUT WHY ... ?

MICHAEL has been working in London for some years now, earning £15 to £20 a week, employed as a painter. (The cultural experts in UNESCO's team may like to go off now and look at Michael's painting, while I address the rest of this to the scientists and sociologists.)

The other evening, late, Michael went into a small restaurant, ordered, ate, and paid for a meal. He made no complaint as to its quality, but, taking his leave, he put his fist through a small plate-glass window.

"But why did he do it?" asked Mr Frank Powell, the magistrate, hearing the story after Michael, next morning, had pleaded guilty to doing £2 worth of wilful damage.

WHY AGAIN

"He didn't say why," said the police officer, who had told the story.

"Didn't he like the food?" the magistrate pursued.

"Said nothing about that, sir." Mr Powell turned to Michael: "Did the food upset you?" he asked.

"No," Michael said.

"Have you really no idea why you did it?"

"No," Michael answered.

"Perhaps he wanted to go to prison for a rest, did he?" the magistrate suggested. "Some people do."

"We haven't had time to look him up, yet, Sir," said the probation officer, who had been called in as expert on such matters.

£50 FROM IRELAND

MICHAEL, a small dark-haired man, with an autumnal colouring and a neat grey suit, was led out so that more inquiries could be made. When he was brought back, Mr Powell was told he was still on probation for a similar offence committed in the early summer.

"When he was in prison serving a sentence of 14 days, a short time afterwards," said the probation officer, "an envelope containing £50 arrived from Ireland for him. With £15 he was able to pay compensation for the damage he had done."

"The other £35?"

"It slipped away very rapidly in liquid form," the probation officer said.

"Slipped down his throat, you mean?"

"Very likely, I think," the probation officer answered.

THE SECRET IS SAFE

"Is there any medical reason why he shouldn't be punished?"

"No, sir."

The magistrate turned to Michael. "You're about the most stupid man I've seen for a long time," he said. "But then you're an Irishman, and the ways of Irishmen are beyond finding out!"

He fined Michael £5, and ordered him to pay £2 compensation to the restaurant owner.

Michael left keeping his secret. It may have been, of course, that he hoped for another parcel of money from Ireland, from which he could pay his dues—and keep the change. It may have been, but it is not for me to decide. Over to you, UNESCO.

SOVIET OIL
EXPERTS IN
RED CHINA

Big Powers
Negotiations
Advocated

London, Oct. 4. Soviet oil experts are helping to direct the exploitation of petroleum in China, the Communist New China News Agency reported.

The Agency gave some details of a Sino-Soviet petroleum company, which, it said, celebrated its third anniversary today. General Manager of the company is a Soviet citizen, and its assistant General Manager is a Chinese.

From Soviet sources the existence was previously known of a Sino-Soviet non-ferrous metal trust and of a jointly-administered air line operating between the two countries.

The Chinese Agency said tonight that the anniversary celebrations of the jointly-administered petroleum company took place in Tihua (Urumchi) in Sinkiang Province, which borders the USSR.

Sinkiang has previously been named as an area where new oil discoveries have been claimed to be on a par with the rich Persian oil fields.

The Chinese Assistant General Manager of the joint oil company was quoted by the Chinese Agency as saying that Soviet experts have trained more than 2,000 skilled workers and technicians during the past three years.

He added that crude oil output of the company had increased during that period by 10 times.—China Mail Special.

Soviet Rights
To Security
Guarantees

Moscow, Oct. 4. A Soviet statement published today emphasised Russia's "right to demand security guarantees" but said a rearmed West Germany could not play a part in a new Locarno.

The English-language magazine News, which is primarily directed at British readers, said that "many responsible British political leaders and statesmen recognise the Soviet Union's right to demand security guarantees" and said this was pointed out in Sir Winston Churchill's call on May 11 for talks at high level.

Commenting on the publicity given to the "new Locarno" the News writer said a definite plan had not yet been officially advanced and its outlines were still very indistinct.

But News said the "Locarno spirit" which was mentioned by the British press, really meant West German rearmament, creation of a European Defence Community and the re-establishment of a German "shock force" of the Atlantic bloc with the Bonn treaty, keeping West Germany in the position of a vanquished country.

Obviously that "spirit" has nothing in common with peaceful settlement," News commented.

Only the speedy conclusion of a peace treaty with a reunited, peaceful, democratic Germany could solve the German problem in the interests of peace and European security, and the results of last month's Bonn elections "make such a solution more difficult," the magazine concluded.—Reuter.

Lost Cause
Admission

Kuala Lumpur, Oct. 5. Local newspapers today headlined as a sign that the Communist effort in Malaya was crumbling the surrender of a noted former Communist terrorist intellectual who has said Communism was a "lost cause."

The 31-year-old Chinese communist, Goh-Hai Kee, a district committee member of the party in central Trengganu State, was one of the most popular Communist leaders in Malaya.

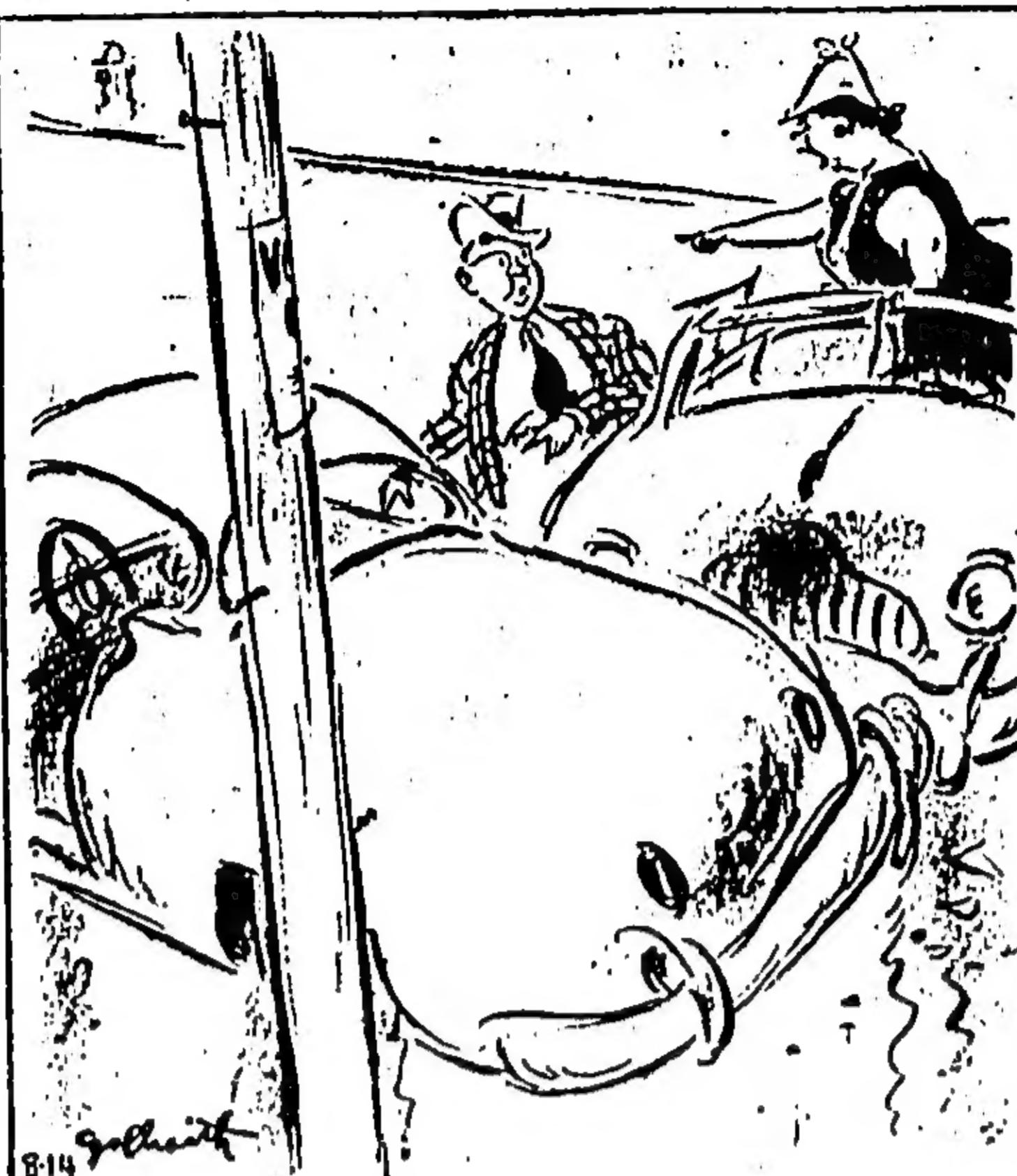
He had surrendered on September 10, but the news was kept secret for security reasons.

A military spokesman quoted Goh as saying: "I am convinced Communist ideology is wrong. The Communist revolution throughout the world is a lost cause. The Malayan Communists Party leaders are self-seekers only."

He said he thought the party in its area would collapse soon. —Reuter.

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"Don't you dare shout! My horoscope said I mustn't lose my temper today!"

Americans Accused
Of Holding Back
Thousands Of POWs

London, Oct. 5. The Communists declared in a communiqué quoted by the New China News Agency today that there were still 98,742 captured North Korean and Chinese personnel who had been "under American custody but had not been repatriated or accounted for by the Americans."

The communiqué, issued by the North Korean-Chinese delegation to the Military Armistice Commission yesterday, said the list of these men was handed over to the Americans on September 21.

According to the Americans, the communiqué stated, 22,000 of them had been handed over to the custody of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission but no list about them had been given to the North Korean-Chinese side.

At Saturday's meeting of the Military Armistice Commission, the Americans were asked to give as soon as possible a clear and accurate account of the 98,742 men, the communiqué declared, according to the New China News Agency.

but who the Americans still contended were not accounted for.—Reuter.

Thailand MPs
In Germany

Berlin, Oct. 4. Forty members of the Thai Parliamentary delegation now touring West Germany visited West Berlin today.

The Members of Parliament, who are here on the invitation of the West German Government, are led by Berlin-born General Pamon Montri, Thai Deputy Finance Minister. This was his first visit here for 12 years.

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"However, after cross checking by the British press, really meant West German rearmament, creation of a European Defence Community and the re-establishment of a German "shock force" of the Atlantic bloc with the Bonn treaty, keeping West Germany in the position of a vanquished country.

Only the speedy conclusion of a peace treaty with a reunited, peaceful, democratic Germany could solve the German problem in the interests of peace and European security, and the results of last month's Bonn elections "make such a solution more difficult," the magazine concluded.—Reuter.

Peking Makes
A Claim

Tokyo, Oct. 5. The Communist New China News Agency claimed tonight that Red China this year, for the first time in history, will produce enough cotton textiles to meet all the needs.

In a despatch broadcast by Peking Radio, the news agency said: "This year the output of cotton yarn and cotton cloth will be more than double that of 1949," the year the Communists took over the mainland rule.

The construction of nine new cotton mills has made China self-sufficient, the report said, while also claiming increased production of woolen fabrics and knitting wool.—United Press.

LIST HANDED OVER

"A list of these has been handed to the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission by the North Korean-Chinese side to be forwarded to the Americans."

"The rest, it is found, has never been captured at all."

The communiqué added that when the Americans were notified of the above mentioned facts by the North Korean-Chinese side at the Military Armistice Commission meeting of September 21, Blackshear Bryan, American senior member of the Blackshear-Bryan (Brigadier-General Blackshear Bryan is senior United Nations delegate to the Armistice Commission) arbitrarily declared that none of the prisoners contained in the American list had been repatriated or reported to be dead or had escaped.

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